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There were inspected 328 members of crews and 204 steerage passengers. Nine members of crew and 25 steerage passengers were bathed and disinfected. Their effects were disinfected by steam. The number of pieces of baggage steamed was 88 and of bedding 50. Manifests were viséed for 70,826 pieces of freight, amounting to 6,494 tons.

Emigrants were examined as follows: Steamship *Siberia* for Honolulu, passed 7, recommended for rejection 24; steamship *Siberia* for San Francisco, passed 2, recommended for rejection 2; steamship *Iyo Maru* for Seattle, passed 15, recommended for rejection 5.

The emigrants passed, together with 1 intending passenger to Victoria by the steamship *Iyo Maru*, were inspected, bathed, and disinfected before embarkation. Their effects were disinfected.

The official returns of infectious diseases for the week show 1 case of plague in Kobe.

It is reported that trachoma is rapidly increasing in Japan. The Hiogo assembly has made an appropriation to aid in stamping out the disease. It is proposed to treat 5,000 people in this prefecture during the next fiscal year. In localities where the disease is most prevalent houses will be visited by physicians, who will examine each inmate and those persons found suffering with the disease will be certified for treatment.

During the week ended March 6, 3 supplemental bills of health and 1 original bill of health were granted.

There were inspected 223 members of crews and 172 steerage passengers. Seventy-nine members of crew and 25 steerage passengers were bathed and disinfected. Their effects were disinfected by steam. The number of pieces of baggage steamed was 240 and of bedding 50. Manifests were viséed for 24,371 pieces of freight, amounting 1,889 tons.

Emigrants were examined as follows: Steamship *China* for Honolulu, passed 25, recommended for rejection 1.

The official returns of infectious diseases for the week show 1 case of plague with 1 death and 1 case of smallpox with 1 death in Kobe.

MEXICO.

Report from Coatzacoalcas—Inspection of vessels.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Thompson reports, March 25:

Week ended March 24. Two supplement bills of health and one original bill of health were issued to vessels sailing from this port for the United States during the last week.

No cases of any quarantinable disease have been reported.

Report from Tampico—Water supply—Sanitary work—Hospitals.

Consul Trippitt reports, March 17:

The sanitary condition of this port is excellent. The water used comes from the Tamesi River, several miles distant from the city, and the work of filling in the lower section of the city is being carried out on an enormous scale. A steel wharf has been erected.

The death rate is high in proportion to the population, but the chief causes of death are tuberculosis and pneumonia, and diseases of children under 2 years of age. The death rate among the foreign population is exceedingly small.

The national railroads of Mexico have a thoroughly appointed and equipped hospital at La Barra, a suburb of Tampico on the Gulf, for the use of railway employees, and there is also a public hospital at Tampico maintained by the city. A new and modern hospital is maintained by the city and state governments at Victoria, the capital of this State. The health conditions in that vicinity at present are excellent.

PERU.

Report from Callao—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Plague at Callao—Status of plague in Peru—Plague in Chile.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Gutierrez reports, March 7 and 14:

Week ended March 6. Bills of health were issued to 3 vessels, with an aggregate personnel of 176 in the crews and with 89 cabin and 32 steerage passengers. Two of the vessels were fumigated.

The following is the latest report on plague in Peru received from the Director de Salubridad Pública:

Locality.	Cases February 19.	New.	Recov- ered.	Died.	Remain- ing Feb- ruary 25.
Department of Lima.....	12	8	3	1	16
Department of Callao.....	7	1	1		8
Department of Libertad.....	41	12	8	5	40
Department of Arequipa.....	2	3		1	4
Department of Piura.....	5			1	4
Department of Cajamarca.....	4	3	*2	(*)	*3
Department of Lambayeque.....	16	6	1	4	17

The figures with the sign (*) have been miswired.

No cases of smallpox have been reported at Lima or Callao. Since report of March 1, one case of plague has been reported at Callao.

Bills of health report plague in Chile as follows: Iquique, February 22, 19 cases in the lazaretto; 8 cases and 3 deaths in 2 weeks.

Week ended March 13. Two steamships, having an aggregate personnel of 167 members in the crew and 112 cabin and 51 steerage passengers, were fumigated.

The following is the latest report on plague in Peru received from the Director de Salubridad Pública:

Locality.	Cases Febru- ary 26.	New.	Recov- ered.	Died.	Remain- ing March 4.
Department of Lima.....	16	5	5	2	14
Department of Callao.....	8	1	3		6
Department of Libertad.....	40	10	11	3	36
Department of Lambayeque.....	17	*1	2	1	*16
Department of Arequipa.....	4		1		3
Department of Piura.....	4	2	(*)	*1	*2
Department of Cajamarca.....	3	13		5	11

The figures with the sign (*) have been miswired. One case of plague has been reported in Callao since report of March 7.

Bills of health report plague in Chile as follows: Antofagasta, February 28, 15 cases of plague isolated; Iquique, March 8, 13 cases of plague isolated in the lazaretto; 7 cases and 6 deaths in 2 weeks; Arica, March 9, a few cases of plague.